

House Resolution No. 339

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives feel it is altogether fitting and proper to pause from time to time to recognize individuals and organizations that have contributed to the welfare of this great state and its citizens; and

Whereas, the members are pleased and proud to pause to recognize James Bouldin, of Excelsior Springs, who is well known and respected for his many and varied contributions to his community; and

Whereas, born in Lansing, Michigan in 1953, James Bouldin attended Western Michigan University with a major in communication arts and science, where he met his wife, Patricia, whom he married on New Year's Eve in 1973; and

Whereas, in 1974, James Bouldin launched his career in journalism at Today newspaper in Cocoa Beach, Florida, a local newspaper owned by Al Neuharth, the future founder of USA Today; and

Whereas, in 1985, James Bouldin joined The Democrat and Chronicle in Rochester New York, which had a circulation of one-quarter-million subscribers; and

Whereas, in 1993, James Bouldin accepted a position as a newspaper consultant with Frank Nixon of the Fackelman Group, which owns newspapers in the states of Florida, Virginia, Texas, Louisiana, and Missouri, and in that same year he took over as publisher of The Standard newspaper in Excelsior Springs; and

Whereas, James Bouldin's contributions to his community are evident by the numerous articles in The Standard related to local history, politics, and culture, along with the newspaper's award-winning sports coverage; and

Whereas, well known and respected for his many acts of civic service, including the Kiwanis Club and the Annual Pride Celebration, James Bouldin has served his community as president of the Excelsior Springs Chamber of Commerce and as a board member of local and county organizations including Tri-County Mental Health Center, Job Corps of Excelsior Springs, SAFE Community 2000, and the Excelsior Springs Education Association; and

Whereas, James Bouldin was honored by having his name submitted for consideration for a Missouri Public Service Commission role:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join to extend our most sincere gratitude to James Bouldin, who has enjoyed a great deal of success and many accomplishments, all to the credit and benefit of his community; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution to James Bouldin.

Offered by _____
Representative Bob Nance
District No. 36

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, Second Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 339, adopted January 30, 2008.

Rod Jetton, Speaker